

Interview Summary

Application No.

10/826,971

Applicant(s)

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Examiner

David N. Werner

Art Unit

2621

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) David N. Werner.

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(2) Kyle B. Rinehart.

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Date of Interview: 18 June 2009.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference

c) ☐ Personal (copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant

2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1.

Identification of prior art discussed: 5,668,547 A (Lee).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Run-length coding and Run-level coding in general were discussed. The Lee patent was discussed in relation to the claims--there is a disagreement as to the mapping of the second stage of coding in Lee with the claimed run-level coding of first layer runs. The claims were discussed in relation to 101--the Office action has suggested amendments that would render the CRM claims statutory, and the method claims are currently statutory post-Bilski.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN A NON-EXTENDABLE PERIOD OF THE LONGER OF ONE MONTH OR THIRTY DAYS FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

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